



MUNICIPALITY OF **West Elgin**

Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting
From: Jeff Slater Recreation Superintendent
Date: 2020-03-12
Report: 2020-03-12
Subject: West Elgin Monthly Recreation Report

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Jeff Slater West Elgin Recreation Superintendent for information purposes and to provide staff direction as necessary.

Purpose:

To outline the activities of the West Elgin Recreation Department and receive staff direction as necessary.

Background:

1. **Dog Park / K-9 Off Leash Area:** Research continues with respect to size and location of the K-9 off leash area for the Municipality. The creation of this area has social benefits that far extend the practical benefits for the dogs. A suitable location will be provided to Council in April. It would be beneficial if there could be a informal survey developed and placed on our new website to get a general indication as to whether or not such a facility is a significant wish for our ratepayers, and also to determine if there would be any interest in the development of a K-9 Dog Owners Association for West Elgin. This association could play a role in raising funds for the development of this area and provide input in to what type of facility people would like to see constructed.
2. **Arena Mould:** The West Elgin Community Center Board of Management met to discuss the provided quotes for the removal of the Mould at the arena. Restoration 1 was the successful candidate, and arrangements are underway to have the work completed. A suggestion from the Board also included contacting Spriet and Associates regrading preventative measure that could be installed to prevent this from occurring again.
3. **New tables** at Recreation Centre have been purchased and 21 tables were delivered prior to the Fair board's Big Buck event.
4. The Recreation Staff are currently reviewing the Recreation Facility Asset Management program offered by the Ontario Recreation Facility Association. This program combines a facility Asset Management Program with a facility inspection program and coordinates both. Recreation Staff are also evaluating a Facility Inspection program called City Reporter. This program is simply a facility inspection program dedicated to each of our facilities, generates reports on inspections, and schedules subsequent inspections. The reports that are generated are emailed to the staff, including administration staff with a great amount of detail. Both programs are cloud based and the City Reporter program does not require a dedicated operating system. Both programs are Tablet based and we can have a tablet for each staff

member, maximum of three. A recommendation will be fourth coming also at the April Council meeting.

5. **Painted Screen:** On the north wall of the Recreation Center in Rodney Recreation Staff painted a screen on the wall. This screen was painted on the wall on a trial basis. The screen is larger than the screen that we currently use and obviously would require no set up time. The area was measured out using the projector with the movie showing. The recommended way to produce this screen was to build out a flat screen from the wall and paint it with the appropriate substance. The Recreation Center is used for a variety of uses including ball hockey and indoor soccer to mention a few. It would not be in the best interest of the Municipality to construct anything that protruded from the wall that could be hazard to people. Therefore we tried the approach that we did. Very little time involved and minimal investment in materials, before proceeding any further.
6. The Recreation Staff have received an inquiry from the Shuffle Board players to install more shuffleboard courts. We have received the estimate on the courts and it falls within the 2020 operating budget. Consideration was given to installing courts at the east end of the facility, but given the fact that they use glass beads to create a slippery playing surface, I suggested in consultation with the Shuffleboard administration that we install additional courts at the same end as they are now, and freshen up the ones that are there now. The Participants seemed to be pleased with that resolution, and it keeps the slippery floors at the west end of the building. The floors area in question is scrubbed regularly as the schedule dictates.

Financial Implications:

Where financial implication exceed the 2020 Budget allocation the Treasurer / CAO will be notified for their input as well as the estimated amount will be included in the project specific report.

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Jana Nethercott